



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY



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STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER - MONITORING

Good Morning,

At 8:30 AM NWS regional radar showed a large area of moderate to heavy rain stretching from Eastern New York State Southwest into Eastern PA, NJ and Delaware. This area of rainfall is associated with a slow moving front and low pressure system that are moving through Southeastern PA at this time. This area is moving to the Northeast at 20 - 30 MPH and is moving into southwestern and western Connecticut at this time. The National Weather Service has issued flash flood watches for Fairfield and New Haven counties until 6:00 PM this evening.

For today... Moderate to heavy rain is forecast to move into southwestern Connecticut by 9:00 AM and spread across most of the state by 11:00 AM. The rainfall is forecast to be heaviest in Southern Connecticut where 2 – 3 inches of rain can be expected. Northern Connecticut can expect 1 – 3 inches of rain. Isolated higher amounts up to 5 inches are possible in Southern Connecticut. This rainfall is expected to result in minor to moderate urban flooding in several towns and minor river flooding in a few towns.

There is also a low risk (5% chance) for a few strong to severe thunderstorms and a very low risk (2% chance) of a weak tornado in Southern Connecticut. The moderate to heavy rain is forecast to taper off to showers from Northwest to Southeast this afternoon between 1:00 – 4:00 PM.

At this time the impact from this event is expected to be minor in most areas and moderate in a few towns. Towns should report any significant flooding to their DEMHS Regional Office as conditions permit. The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security will continue to monitor the latest conditions and will send out another update at 11:00 AM or sooner if any additional watches or warnings are issued by the NWS.